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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 6, 2002, please enter the following amendments.

**In the Claims**

Please amend claims 1, 2 and 4 as follows.

- SUB B*  
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1. (Amended) A method, comprising temporarily increasing an effective serving rate, for a router configured to receive and transmit packets in a communications network at a time instant corresponding to an onset of congestion of the router.

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